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THE TIMES-DISPATCH and Breakfast are served together with unfailing regu-larity in the Best Homes of Richmond. Is your morning program complete?

Completing the Cotton Fund

THAT there is obligation, as well as honor, privilege and advantage, involved in Richmond's selection as the site of this district's Federal reserve bank, was recognized by banking institutions yesterday, when they responded with promptness and liberality to Secretary McAdoo's appeal for further subscriptions with which to complete the cotton

Completion of the fund will be an enormous boon to the cotton States, principal sufferers in this country from the effects of the European war. It is a great triumph for the administration, which has received this substantial assurance of the confidence of the country's financial interests in its wisdom. sanity and capacity for leadership. It is a blow to the selfish croakers who sought to take advantage of the unhappy plight to which some of their countrymen were re-It is a satisfaction to all good American citizens, who wish the prosperity now well on its way to be shared in equal abundance by every section of the land.

Help for Pine Camp

A PPROVAL by the Council Committee on totalling \$4,780 for the relief of Pine Camp and its operation under present auspices for the remainder of the city's fiscal year, represents all that the committee properly could have been expected to do at this time. It will be taken, however, as an augury of the city's purpose in due season to take over the camp and make its control and direction an integral and important part of the Health Department's duties.

Members of the Finance Committee deserve the community's thanks for the promptness with which they have recognized and responded to the public demand, but what they have done, however valuable and necessary, is only a start toward the attainment of the larger ideal to which Richmond looks in hope and confidence. Adequate provision by the municipality for the combatting of the tuberculosis scourge is an exigent need, and in any comprehensive plan of this character Pine litter on public thoroughfares. 'amp or a similar institution plays an essen tial part.

Treatment of Prisoners

BY this time the American mind is in a condition of profound skepticism as to all tales of atrocities, the only stories of that sort that have obtained general credence being those which state that the Germans have not treated the Belgians with any marked generosity.

So when a dispatch from Berlin "by wireless to Sayville, L. I.," recounts that a German prisoner of war in England has written a letter to the Frankfuter Zeitung, declaring that, as a result of bad treatment, fortysix unwounded German prisoners died of pneumonia and typhoid fever, American opinion remains stolidly unmoved. The analytical mind will, however, puzzle over the rather surprising fact that the British are permitting their prisoners of war to write uncensored John Burns, a former member of the British Cabinet, denouncing England, which speech

name that smacked of a hostile nation over of nonmeat-cating men and women? a shop front meant the prompt smashing of plate-glass windows and the wrecking of the establishment.

Clipping Cupid's Wings

IN Cambridge, Mass., the Alderman have ruled that hereafter wedding celebrations must be noiseless and brief, and to further this discouragement of Cupid, a watchman has also been appointed to chaperon Jarvis Street, popularly known as "Lovers' Lane."

It is zero on the Fourth of July in Cambridge. There is one place where Cupid should have more clothing. Youth and merriment are full of wrinkles there, and any any one who fox trots is promptly churched. Old maids delight in crossing their fingers and boasting that nobody ever caught them hanging around gates and swings. Crusty old bachelors grunt their satisfaction as they swing pudgy legs from stools in the luncheries, and make grimaces of disgust at the God-bless-our-home mottoes.

in Cambridge, and it appears that in conse-deserves financial help hereafter will be able quence of too much lingering in Jarvis to get it.

Street there are certain functions, familiar to people in other towns, which strike a cold chill down the venerable back of Cambridge But what hurts the old town more than any thing else is that the charivari keeps up for two or three days hand-running, and such unseemly happiness is not for the burg where people used to make crosses at witches with cast eyes.

Hence, this clipping of Cupid's wings. Whoever would meet his maiden in Jarvis Street is hereby advised to give it wide berth and look out for the constable.

South American Trade and News

THE Newport News Chamber of Commerce has put its finger on one important reason for the slow progress made in establishing trade relations with the countries of south America. The chamber declares, in an official resolution, that progress has been so exceedingly gradual largely because of the inadequacy of the news service between the United States and its southern neighbors and the resulting failure of mutual sympathy and comprehension.

The resolutions assert that "our knowledge of the Latin-American peoples to whom we are so closely attached politically, and theirs of us, is little better, if any, than that which we possess of the inhabitants of Tibet," and Sunday only 5 ceuts tion between peoples as the daily exchange and publication of news in newspapers of general circulation."

Both of those statements are true, although the first may be somewhat exaggerated. That this country's failure to increase its South American trade has been due in large part to its merchants' lack of understanding of South American needs, habits and prejudices has been repeated too often and from sources too informed and trustworthy to permit of further doubt.

A story that has been going the rounds, that may not be true and yet illustrates the point, refers to the shipment of a big lot of American collars to Buenos Aires. The collar sizes were marked in inches, halves and quarters, as is our American custom. The people of the Argentine would have none of them. In South America the metric system of weights and measures is in universal use. and the Argentine dandies had been accustomed to purchase their neckwear by the centimetre, rather than by the inch. They declined to accompany every purchase of collars by a mathematical calculation. If the manufacturers had known a little more about their intended market, they would have avoided this mistake.

It may be taken for granted that the exchange of news is desirable, but just how it is to be brought about, is not quite so obvious. Newport News puts the problem up to the Chamber of Commerce of the United States, and perhaps that organization is competent to deal with it. Information about South America has been much more conspicuous in the daily press since this agitation for trade expansion in that quarter started than it has ever been in the past. If the interest survives it will represent a news demand. that the papers will have to supply. If they have been derelict in the past, it was because. Finance of emergency appropriations probably, they had no intimation that such a demand existed.

Waking Up to the Dust Nuisance

W HATEVER has been its inspiration—and The Times-Dispatch would like to feel it is entitled to some of the credit-it is gratifying to observe the recrudescence of official interest in the condition of Richmond's streets. The important thing is, of course, that something be done to better a situation that had become nearly intolerable, and it makes small differences what influences contribute to bring this about.

The Administrative Board has directed a reorganization of the street cleaning forces which obviously will be economical of time and promises good results. The Police Department is to enforce the ordinance forbidding the throwing of waste paper and other

All this is well, but it would be a mistake to believe that it is enough. Richmond is one of the few cities in the country where the the shore. Surgeons say he is seriously streets are sprinkled practically not at all, wounded. The flushing of streets from the fire hydrants, day almost universal elsewhere, here is an unknown or neglected art. Of modern streetcleaning equipment there is a sad deficiency. The dust and dirt with which our atmosphere is surcharged are an abomination in the eyes, as well as the noses and lungs, of visitor and citizen alike.

These conditions are not to be viewed with complacent indifference or patient resignation. Fortunately, the air just now is redolent, along with the dust, of a healthy public sentiment against their continuance.

Hoof and Mouth Dieting

W I'TH the spread of the hoof and mouth THis the spread of the hoof and mouth disease over the country, and with lready in a price position which seems in out the nursery statement that the umped over the moon, there is not a unxiety over the outlook for food. But the immigration haw. The manner in which the Belgians fourth agration haw. The manner in which the Belgians fourth agration haw. beef already in a price position which seems letters of complaint to their home newspapers, to bear out the nursery statement that the But then the Frankfurter Zeitung is miracu- cow jumped over the moon, there is not a lously served. Was it not that enterprising little anxiety over the outlook for food. But when one stops to think seriously, that is all nonsense. Hysteria over the scarcity of meat, actual or prospective, is very much like atternative that is offered them is to choose journal which published a long speech by when one stops to think seriously, that is all neither that gentleman nor any other Englishman ever delivered?

It is more than likely that the lot of a prisoner of war is no more or less a bed of roses in England than it is in Germany or in France, or in any other country since "civil- roses in the contract of prospective, is very much like another country. Here in the United States to the complaining of a spoiled child who has another country. Here in the United States to the complaining of a spoiled child who has another country. Here in the United States to the United States in the complaining of a spoiled child who has another country. Here in the United States to the United States in the complaining of a spoiled child who has another country. Here in the United States to the United States in the complaining of a spoiled child who has another country. Here in the United States to the United States in the complaining of a spoiled child who has another country. Here in the United States to the United States in the complaining of a spoiled child who has another country. Here in the United States to the United States in the complaining of a spoiled child who has another country. Here in the United States to the United States in the complaining of a spoiled child who has another country. Here in the United States to the United States in the complaining of a spoiled child who has another country. Here in the United States in the country is the complaining of a spoiled child who has another country. Here in the United States in the complaining of a spoiled child who has another country. Here in the United States in the country is the complaining of a spoiled child who has another country. Here in the United States in the country is the country in the country is the France, or in any other country since "civilized" warfare came into the world. There
is probably little to choose in this respect
among the nations now in conflict. Their
kinship was shown at the outbreak of the kinship was shown at the outbreak of the meat for such a period would turn out a war, when in all the capitals the sight of a cleaner, stronger, more healthy, happier race

This is not a vegetarian argument. But the simple truth is that a majority of people eat too much meat. If the hoof and mouth disease produces a condition that forces a better balance of diet for us all, we have nothing to lose and perhaps much to gain.

It was thought once that the French took he palm for gallantry, but the German captain of the Emden, who presented a captured ship to the skipper's wife, makes a strong bid

good the old boast that "we've got the ships, we've got the men, we've got the money, too.

When Governor Craig and his Tarheel host invade Virginia on Thanksgiving Day they will receive a welcome that will include every thing but hopes for their victory.

There is plenty of money in the Richmond Regional Reserve Bank-and the best part of of course, there are some human beings it is that any one who, in a business sense,

SONGS AND SAWS

The Mournful G. O. P. Prosperity is on the way,
So e'en the G. O. P. concedes,
But yet it simply can't be gay,
Its poor old heart still aches and bleeds It charged to Democratic guile
The ovil fortunes we have had—
Of course, it can't afford to smile When fortunes are no longer bad.
For Democrats, who bore the blame
For what the war and nature sent,
Might take the credit just the same,
When war its cruel force had spent.
So pause, my friends, and weep with me
For this despondent G. O. P.

The Pessimist Says:

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War Note.

As Private Longped's feet again touched Mother Earth, the correspondents noted that the opposing forces had become separated by a much broader margin. Private Longpeds, who was a cele-brated Marathon runner, finds that his early training stands him in good stead.

Losing All Annoyance. Stubbs—Have you been having much trouble with your chickens lately?
Grubbs—Practically none at all. In fact, some village philanthropist has been relieving me of my chicken troubles and my chickens, all at the same time.

Halting at Nothing.
Commander—Is that the enemy approaching?
Alde—Yes, general.
Commander—Then mass the bands and instruct them to play "It's a Long, Long Way to Tipperary." The enemy may as well be con-vinced now as another time that when General Sherman undertook to define war he knew what

he was talking about. A Problem in Verse. A Problem in verse.

I can't deny that Rose is fair.

She is a winning witch:

But she wears so much purchased hair

You can't tell which is switch.

—Cincinnati Enquirer.
Upon her cheeks, with rarest art,
She spreads what's known as "Blush of Posies."
It's hard to say just which is "Blush"
And which our old friend Rose is.

-Cincinnati Enquirer.

The Federal gunboat Tulip exploded on Friday last in the Potomac River. The bollers, which were old and unsafe, exploded, and all

on board except ten men were instantly killed. So says the report.
The day of public worship and prayer and fasting, recommended by President Davis, was generally observed throughout the Confederacy. in all of the cities was almost entirely

We have just learned the distressing news that Captain James Irvine Harvie, son of Lewis E. Harvie, of this city, was killed in the battle Cedartown.

Current Editorial Comment

Russian Demands in Prussia

from Derlin that "the Russians have imposed on conquered East Prussian towns war contributions corresponding approximate-

the Russians would only turn these contribu-tions over to Relgium for relief purposes, what an admirable arrangement it would be! And also, it may be added, most unmilitary. They don't wage war that way in this year of Chris don't wage war that way in this year of Chris tian grace. Stricken Belgium must still place her main reliance in the generosity of the people of the United States, and she looks to us for help. However much England, France and Rus-Great Britain, when it comes to consider the war budget, finds itself obliged to make and resources to extend the relief demanded.— Philadelphia Record.

One good that may come to Bigger Crops us out of the war is better agri-May Result culture. Ten national gatherings May Result culture. Ten national gatherings have been holding annual meetings and leaders in agricultural research and education have met in Washington to discuss the possibilities of increasing production from American cultural research and agricultural research and education have met in the possibilities of increasing production from American cultural research and Thou wouldst seem less near.

in Washington to discuss the possibilities of increasing production from American soil. The impulse appears to be the pressure of the war's demand, but it will be for our own steady improvement as well. Our farming has been careless and wasteful. We have not taken advantage of the means by which greater results

could be obtained from the same labor. Although we have led the world in improved methods and are the originators of farm machinery which all the world uses, we have not yet brought ourselves to the patient cultivation which gets from the soil all that it will yield under proper treatment. treatment. Twenty years ago Germany averaged about fourteen bushels of wheat to the acre, about our yield. Her population was growing and it was her ambition to feed it. She did with her farms as she did with her factories, applied the latest means and the finest ingenuity to discover the better way. Soils were studied, fertilizers found and experiments tried, until the average when typical reseated tried, until the average wheat yield rose to forty bushels. We can do likewise. It used to be our boast that we had only to tickle the soil to have it laugh into a harvest. We must get out of that state of mind. We must realize that we are living in an age of applied knowledge where the best is expected from every field of endenvor, and that we cannot hold our own unless we work to the limit the material on which we have to produce the given result.— Indianapolis News,

The Voice of the People

Letters to the Editor should not be over 250) words in length, and the name and address of the writer must accompany each communication, not necessarily for publica-tion, but as an evidence of good faith. Write on one side of the paper, and inclose stamps if manuscript is to be returned. Partisan letters concerning the European war will not be published.

Disagreeable Near-Side Stops.

To the Editor of The Times-Dispatch:
Sir,—Under the new regulation of the Virginia Passenger and Power Company requiring cars to stop on the near sides only of intersecting streets, it appears to have escaped attention that on unpaved side streets, similar, for example, to Allison Street at Broad, and Addison Street at Broad, and the streets to the west of Addison at Broad, passengers are compelled to wade through mud ankledeep in order to reach the platforms of the cars. The conductors appear to have no discretionery powers for such cases, and the cars will not stop at the near crossing.

Since there is no stream of traffic across Broad through the streets above mentioned, it would

Since there is no stream of traffic across Broad through the streets above mentioned, it would seem that a suspension of the regulation at these particular streets and other similarly located streets might avoid the serious discomfort to passengers in bad weather.

CLEMENS AP-CATESBY JONES.

Richmond. November 17, 1911.

Richmond, November 17, 1914.

Would End Foreign Immigration.

THE TATTLER.

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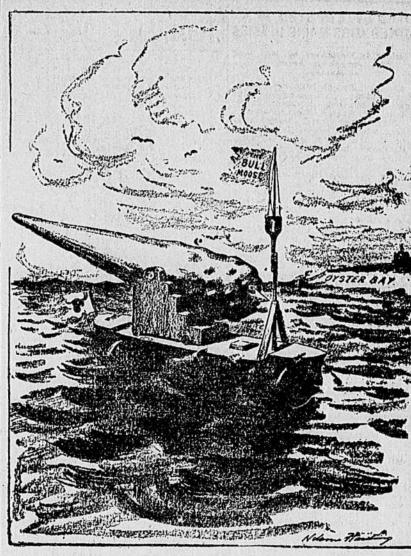
To the Editor of The Times-Dispatch:
Sir,—I have noticed quite frequently under "The Voice of the People," that many suggestions are made to encourage immigration to the Southern States, the chief excuse for this being that there is a need for farm workers. It occurs to me that the people who are so enthusiastic on this subject have overlooked the fact that there are thousands of these foreign people already in this country, most of whom refuse

Capitol Disaster.
Please tell me what was the "Capitol disaster."
CHARLES S. TURNER. About 11 o'clock, April 27, 1870, the Court of Appeals was assembled to decide the Richmond mayora. contest, and a large crowd was in attendance in the upper floor of the Capitol Building. The floor broke through and carried about sixty persons to their death, and some 256 You may find the fullest account of the matter in the Richmond papers of the next day or in a pamphlet got out by Ellyson & Taylor about a week after the occurrence.

How may we best tan a deer hide at home?
W. T. PASCHALL. The only method which will give excellent results and not require more apparatus than you are likely to have is the Indian way of "tawing." The green bide should be covered with ashes and salt—or with powdered alum—until it is about dry, but not stiff. All the particles of flesh should have been removed with

AN INADEQUATE NAVY

One of the Day's Best Cartoons.



-From the Brooklyn Daily Eagle.

War News Fifty Years Ago

From the Richmond Dispatch, Nov. 19, 1864.

The quiet at Petersburg seems to portend some activity within the next few days, and yet there are those among the military experts who there are those among the military experts who the rest to a need for farm workers. It occurs to me that the peak overlooked are those among the military experts who there are those among the military experts who this dises are those among the military experts who this dises are letting out very little news.

Information received at the War Department yetseld or propertion for future big things. At any rate, but sides are letting out very little news.

Information received at the War Department yetseld or partially destroyed the Georgia State Railroad from Atlanta to Alladoona, a distance to work for living wages, and as mentally destroyed the Georgia State Railroad from Atlanta to Alladoona, a distance of forty miles including the bridge over the chattachochie River. This confirms the report of the avacuation of Atlanta, as, of course, the Chattachochie River. This confirms the report of the avacuation of Atlanta, as of course, the chief own destroyed. It also confirms the announcement of the Chattachochie River. This confirms the report of the avacuation of Atlanta, as of course, the chief own destroyed. It also confirms the announcement of the Chattachochie River. This confirms the report of the avacuation of Atlanta, as of course, the chief of the avacuation of Atlanta, as of course, the chief of the chattachochie River. This confirms the report of the avacuation of Atlanta, as of course, the chief of the chief own the chief of the chi

In Northern Journals of Sherman's purpose to undertake an expedition "into the heart of the cotton States."

It is now very evident that approaching hostilities will not be confined to Georgia, Alabaman in the will not be confined to Georgia, Alabaman in the will not be confined to Georgia, Alabaman in the will not be confined to Georgia, Alabaman in the will not be confined to Georgia, Alabaman in the will not be confined to Georgia, Alabaman in the will not be confined to Georgia, Alabaman in the will not be confined to Georgia, Alabaman in the will not be confined to Georgia, Alabaman in the will not be confined to Georgia, Alabaman in the will not be confined to Georgia, Alabaman in the will not be confined to Georgia, Alabaman in the will not be confined to Georgia, Alabaman in the will not be confined to Georgia, Alabaman in the will not be confined to the problem in the section of the will not be confined as the problem in the section of the will not be confined as the problem in the section of the will not be confined as the problem in the section of the will not be confined as the problem in the section of the will not be confined as the problem in the section of the will not be confined as the problem in this will not be confined as the problem in the section of the will not be confined as the problem in this will not be confined as the problem in this will not be confined as the problem in this will not be confined as the problem in the section of the will not be confined as the problem in this war. In the problem in this war, in the

and foreign wars that it is impossible to do justice to it within the scope of a newspaper article, but the main points may be summed up briefly. At the end of the thirteenth century there flourished Osman, "the bone breaker," a bandit, who rapidly forged his way to the leadership of the fighting hordes of Asia Minor. From that time until the present day Occident and Orient have been in a state of conflict with each other, but for generations Turkey found no opponents that it is most noticeable to the casual observer are the practical abolition of petty graft, with which the empire used to until the present day Occident and Orient have been in a state of conflict with each other, but for generations Turkey found no opponents worthy of the name. The East overworthy of the name. The East overflowed into Europe, taking in the feeble peoples along the shores of the
Black Sea, and among the Balkan
mountains. Vienna proved the first
insurmountable obstacle, while on the
eastern line Russia was the barrier.
The old geographies had about the
right idea when they likened Turkey
to a real turkey with its neck stretching along the Black Sea, and its wings
and tail spreading into Austria.

The latest phase of Turkey's com-

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graft, with which the empire used to be overrun, and certain great improve-ments of roads and waterways.

a railroad ticket, or make sure of get-ting accommodations on the train by means of bribing all the officials in